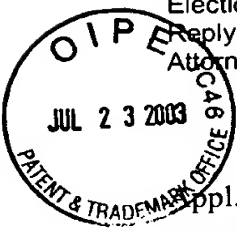


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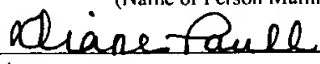
This is in response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2003, in which the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-5 and 19-24, drawn to a process for producing hydrogen peroxide; and

Group II: Claims 7-18 and 25-37, drawn to an apparatus for producing a purified aqueous hydrogen peroxide solution.

Applicants hereby elect for further prosecution the invention of Group I including claims 1-5 and 19-24. The Examiner indicated that claim 6 links the inventions of Groups I and II and if claim 6 is allowed, the restriction requirement as to the linked inventions would be withdrawn.

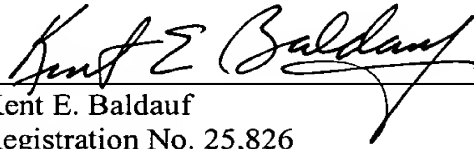
Examination of claims 1-5, 19-24 as well as linking claim 6 is respectfully requested.

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Applicants reserve their right to file at a later time a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), there is no change in inventorship as a result of this election.

Respectfully resubmitted,

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